

President To Be Chosen This Semester

Foderaro To Leave Housing Post; Dennison To Assume New Role

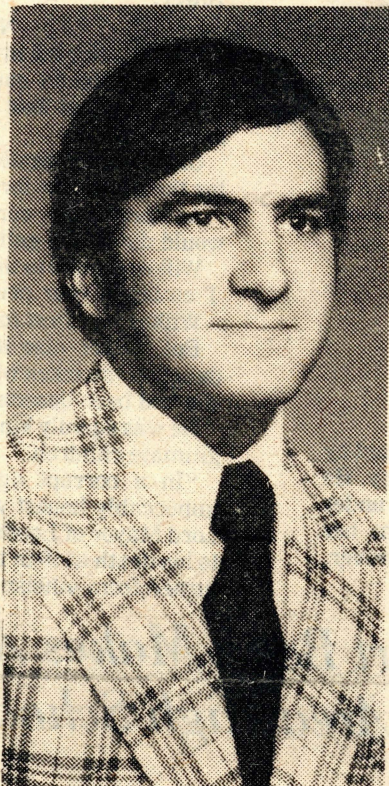
Over 200 Applicants In Review

Albert E. Foderaro, who for the past two years has served as director and assistant director of housing, has resigned to move into an administrative post at a community college in New Jersey. His resignation becomes effective Friday, February 13.

Foderaro will switch from a housing directorship here to an assistant director of financial aid and placement position at the County College of Morris in Randolph Township, New Jersey.

Meanwhile, Molly Dennison, assistant director of housing, will assume Foderaro's responsibilities, but will still retain her title of assistant director. Jeanne Conway, housing coordinator, will work closely with Dean of Student Affairs George F. Ralston and Assistant Dean of Men Edward Baltruchitis, assisting Miss Dennison in the affairs involved with campus housing.

In discussing the main reasons for changing positions, Foderaro said the position at the County College of Morris is one in a different area of administration that will involve a change in lifestyle.



Albert E. Foderaro

Presently, the job of housing director entails a 24 hour, seven day a week responsibility to oversee, along with an assistant director, a coordinator and a staff of student resident assistants.

Foderaro, well liked among the student body, the staff of resident assistants, and the administration said, "It's fortunate that Wilkes has the students that they do. The kids here have a concept of respect."

Assessing Foderaro and the position that awaits him, Dean George Ralston commented, "He had a good opportunity that he couldn't pass up. We encouraged him to take it as it is to his best interest. He is an excellent person, and we're sorry to see him leave."

"We are going to proceed as we are, with the people we have in charge, and we'll just spread the responsibilities," he said.

Foderaro noted that the current staff of resident assistants will take on "more responsibility" working with Miss Dennison and her aides.

Since 1972, there have been four housing directors, none of whom stayed at the job for a period longer than two years.

It is unknown when the administration will start conducting interviews to fill the position of director.

By Donna M. Geffert

Wilkes College will select its third president before Commencement, scheduled for Sunday, May 30.

This is the belief of U.S. Court Judge Max Rosenn, chairman of the Wilkes College Presidential Selection Committee.

According to Judge Rosenn, an excess of 200 applications have been received by the committee from individuals of high caliber who hold impressive credentials.

The committee has met approximately four or five times in plenary meetings to discuss the presidential selections, noted the Judge, as well as convene into subcommittee groups to further study the applications.

The committee also has submitted periodic progress reports to the Board of Trustees.

Judge Rosenn also noted that the committee has received some applications from women candidates but that the overwhelming majority have been from men.

When asked if any Wilkes faculty members or administrators are included in the list of applicants for the Wilkes College presidency, Judge Rosenn replied that applications have been from persons connected with universities throughout the country other than Wilkes College. Some also have come from individuals not connected directly with institutions of higher learning.

Judge Rosenn also said that Acting President Robert S. Capin

has not filed a written application for the chief position.

When asked if Acting President Capin, who has been holding a dual position as acting chief administrator and dean of academic affairs concurrently, would be considered for the presidency on his past record despite his choice not to apply in writing, Judge Rosenn said that Capin would receive consideration.

"I don't believe his failure to apply would mean that the Presidential Selection Committee would be compelled to ignore his presence," Judge Rosenn said. "We think that we are soon approaching the end of our labors. Hopefully, the selection of a president will be before commencement," noted the committee head.

He also noted that by and large committee meetings have had full attendance by the membership including seven members of the Board of Trustees, three faculty members and two students.

Each member of the Presidential Search Committee has a vote in the decision. Once a selection has been made, the committee will make its recommendation to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Although the Board of Trustees is not compelled to approve the committee's choice, Judge Rosenn stated, "It would seem that the board would pay a great deal of attention to the recommendation of the committee."

Winter Carnival Festivities Commence At White Beauty

Hayrides, parties, sledding, and ice skating are just a few of the many activities available to students this weekend as the annual All-Campus Winter Carnival is held at the White Beauty View Resort in the Pocono Mountains.

The \$26 tickets for the affair can still be obtained today only in the Housing Office of the New Men's Dorm from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 4 to 6 p.m. in the lobby of the New Men's Dorm. The price for outsiders is \$34.

Departure will be tomorrow at 6 p.m. from the River Street entrance of the Stark Learning Center.

After arriving and settling at the Pocono resort, a free hayride will be held from 9 p.m. on. A skating and bonfire party will take place from 10 to 12 p.m.

The fun will continue at 12 with a Monty Python film, "And Now For Something Completely Different," "Riot on Ice" with Laurel and Hardy, and cartoons.

Following brunch on Saturday morning, free activities open to the students include tobogganing, sledding, ice skating, archery, and a rifle range (the last two activities depend on the weather). Students are asked to bring their own ice skates.

Snowmobile rental will be \$15 an hour, and ice boat rental \$5 per half hour.

Buses depart for the Tanglewood Ski Resort at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday while buses will depart for the Double W Ranch at 12:30 p.m. for those interested in horseback riding.

After a 6 p.m. dinner, there will be a free dance featuring "Brandy" at 9 with a free beer and cash bar.

Students will be served brunch again on Sunday before returning to Wilkes.

The cabins where the students will be staying are based on multiple occupancy and are located in the same general area.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Rodecho, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baltruchitis, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Foderaro will be chaperones.

A ski competition for beginners, intermediate and advanced skiers also will be held.

This year's committee for the winter weekend includes: Vilma Schifano, chairman; Rich Bellacosa, Larry Cohen, Kathy Fluck, Barbara Hall, John Kelly, Ray Ostroski, Jackie Pickering, Len Shatkus, Dion Spencer, Howie Stark, Tom Trost, Paula Vecchio, and Zeke Zaborney.



\$10,000 Donated To Wilkes

A Check for \$10,000 was presented during the week by the Gulf Oil Company to Wilkes College as part of a \$50,000 Revolving Student Loan Fund established by the industry in 1973.

A brief ceremony was held in the board room of Weckesser Hall, at which time the check was presented. Shown at the presentation are, left to right, seated—F.E. Leohrig, retail supervisor for Gulf with offices in Bryn Mawr; Robert S. Capin, acting president of Wilkes College; and Henry Maxwell, retail marketer for Gulf Oil Company. Standing—Arthur J. Hoover, director of alumni affairs and coordinator of the 1976 Wilkes College campaign to raise \$325,000; and Thomas J. Moran, executive director of public relations and development.

The visitors were taken on a tour of the new \$7-million Stark Learning Center and shown the wing that was named in appreciation for a \$100,000 gift from Gulf Oil Company as part of the college's flood recovery effort.

Namesake of Wilkes Noted Playboy And Patriot

By Donna M. Geffert

Founded in 1933 as Bucknell Junior College, Wilkes College was chartered as a four-year liberal arts institution and renamed after a defender of American freedom—John Wilkes, a patriot, publisher, politician and playboy.

Wilkes-Barre itself was named after this same individual and Colonel Isaac Barre, who had been an officer in the English army in America in the campaigns of 1758 and 1759 and was a foe of America's oppressors.

The history of Wilkes College contains considerable information on the man for whom the school was named.

Wilkes was well-born but broke away from his family early and entered political life. At a relatively early age he became a member of Parliament. He became a political writer of note and founded "The North Briton."

"The North Briton" attacked the King and his supporters in every issue, but little official attention was paid to it until Issue No. 45 came from the press. This issue was not as strong in its language as many earlier ones, but it did attack the King's message to Parliament in severely critical tones.

As a result, a general warrant was issued against the authors, printers and publishers of this "seditious and treasonable paper." Wilkes was arrested and sent to London Tower "for treasonable practices" which were defined as libelling the government.

Wilkes was subsequently freed and he and his printers cost the government 100,000 pounds in damages and legal expenses.

Exciting English Gentleman

An article by Joseph J. Kelly in a 1965 issue of "Pennsylvania Business," official publication of the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce, gives insight into the character of John Wilkes, describing him as an "exciting English gentleman," with more conservative references of Colonel Barre.

Barre is dismissed as one who led a fairly prosaic life "and rates no more than honorable mention in the Encyclopedia Britannica."

"But John Wilkes," says Kelly, "is spread over several closely-printed pages and treated with an admixture of awe and disdain. Few U.S. cities have a more unusual hero as a patron; none have a wilder one."

Who was this man John Wilkes?

According to Kelley, Wilkes is said to have been squint-eyed and extremely ugly, but who nevertheless had an amiable grin, a good nature and a sense of humor.

"His contributions to the philosophy of freedom, on a conservative side," says Kelley, "were far reaching ... He would undoubtedly be amused and flattered that there is an exciting city which bears his name."



Married For Money

"Sharp-witted Wilkes," says Kelley, "got his start by marrying a girl whose only assets were monetary. He soon engineered a separation which, under then-existing English property laws, gave him her entire estate. As evidence of his generosity, however, he provided her with a small settlement."

With his new-found wealth, Wilkes decided to adopt triple careers of playboy, politician and publisher. He was an immediate success in the first, and, soon after, in the other two fields. He was the outspoken publisher of "The North Briton" and extremely popular.

He was a member of the infamous Hell-Fire Club. He broke up the club by dressing a baboon as the devil and let him loose.

Wilkes' dislike of Alexander Pope, whom he thought prudish, led him to take "Essay on Man," and by giving a twist to the last word in each sentence, produce an obscene piece called "Essay on Woman." The tract was designed only for members of the club but got national publicity when the Earl of Sandwich, ex-friend and fellow club member, used it to get Wilkes expelled from Parliament.

Once when it appeared Wilkes would be imprisoned, he took off for a trip on the Continent that lasted four years and was spent in "amorous delights." He returned and served a one-year jail sentence in London's Tower.

No Minor Vices

Wilkes, after his initial failure, won a seat in Parliament in a distant country by bribing the sea captain carrying a boat load of opposition voters to land them in Norway.

One haughty gentleman once said he'd rather vote for the devil than for Wilkes.

Another irate constituent predicted that Wilkes would die on the gallows.

Wilkes replied to this by saying "That depends upon if I embrace your principles or your mistress."

Wilkes was first to say, "I have no minor vices."

But Wilkes also had virtues. He nursed his little daughter, stricken with small-pox, back to health after she had been deserted by her mother and nurses.

He was equally kind and considerate to his many illegitimate children.

"In a corrupt age," comments Kelley, "he was impeccably honest with public monies. A courageous Lord Mayor of London, he was a storm center right up to his death at 70 in the year 1797. In his later years he turned from atheism to religion."

Play Tryouts Next Week

Tryouts for the Kiwanis-Wilkes College Musical "SING OUT SWEET LAND" have been announced by Alfred S. Groh, director of theater, and will be held on Monday and Tuesday, February 9 and 10, at 7 p.m. at the Center for the Performing Arts.

"SING OUT, SWEET LAND" will be the 10th College musical that has been sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club. Proceeds have established a Charitable Foundation which over the years has benefited the community and the College.

The show is a "musical biography of American song," containing folk songs, hymns, ballads, blues, spirituals, jazz — all part of the nation's heritage. "SING OUT, SWEET LAND" was written and directed in 1946 by Walter Kerr. Richard Chaplaine, musical director, has received a copy of the score from Elie Siegmeister, composer and arranger.

Performances are Tuesday through Sunday, May 4-9, 1976.

Wilkes Concert Band Makes Annual Tour To Recruit Area High School Students

The Wilkes College Concert Band, under the direction of William Weber, completed a five day tour last week. An annual event, the tour was established as a recruiting program for prospective Wilkes College students. This year's tour consisted of area and out of state high schools.

At each high school, the band presented a 45 minute concert. The high school students were exposed to a variety of music from rock to serious pieces. Student soloists offered the high school students a chance to see and hear different instruments. High school band directors, as well as some seniors

from the concert band, were given the opportunity to conduct compositions included in the program.

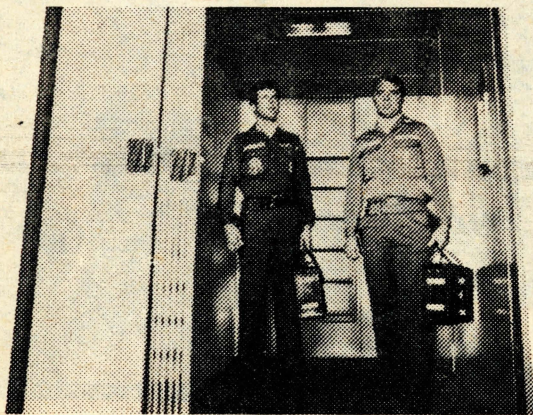
The band performed 13 out of 14 scheduled concerts. A concert at Northwestern Area High School was cancelled when bad weather closed that school for a day. Other high schools in Pennsylvania where concerts were given included: West Hazleton, Hazleton, Valley View, Riverside, Wyoming Area, Wyoming Valley West and Lake Lehman.

A special feature of this year's tour was an overnight visit to New York State. The band left for New York early Thursday morning and returned Friday afternoon. Concerts

were performed at Greene High School, Greene, New York and Oxford Academy, Oxford, New York. An evening concert was also presented in Oxford. The Wilkes College band members were guests of the families of the Oxford Academy band members. On Friday, the band gave concerts at Owego Free Academy, Owego, New York and Vestal High School, Vestal, New York.

Many of the high schools visited by the Wilkes College concert band on tour were the Alma Maters of students in the band. These students had the opportunity to be recognized by their respective hometown audiences.

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Theft In Bookstore Not Significant

Responding to rumors of theft and shoplifting at the Wilkes College Bookstore, Mildred Gittens, store manager, said shoplifting is "found in every store" and "happens all the time" but it is not a major problem at the bookstore.

Gittens pointed out that although the amount being stolen is "not a large figure, it's still theft." In some stores, she said, higher prices result from shoplifting losses. But, she added, prices will not go up in the bookstore for that reason.

During the Christmas vacation a door to the bookstore was found open by security men and it was thought that the bookstore had been robbed, according to Gittens. But, after a careful check, nothing was found missing and the open door was attributed to someone forgetting to lock it.

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Committee Plans '76 Observance

By Wilma Hurst

The 200th birthday of the United States has prompted a number of commemoration activities throughout the nation, and Wilkes is also making its own plans to celebrate the Bicentennial.

Upcoming activities have been designed to attempt to qualify Wilkes as a "Bicentennial College." The 16-member Wilkes Planning Committee, representing all segments of the campus, is chaired by Dr. David Leach of the History Department.

The committee has applied to the Luzerne County Bicentennial Commission for recognition as a "Bicentennial College." The designation would serve as an acknowledgement of Wilkes' observance of the Bicentennial, and would permit the college to display the official Bicentennial flag.

The American Revolution Bicentennial Administration (ARBA) has adopted the slogan "A past to remember; a future to mold" as the theme for the national Bicentennial program.

Three thematic areas for activities have been developed, and the Planning Committee has come up with several activities for each area.

According to Dr. Leach, "Heritage '76" takes a backward look at America's past. Activities for this theme include a lecture series sponsored by the History Department, town meetings at Penn State and a photo exhibit featuring mining architecture.

A number of other activities are being planned, including a series of events designed to honor the various ethnic groups in the area. The next event in the series sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures is "The Bicentennial Festival of Ukrainian Dances

and Songs" to be held Saturday, February 21.

"Festival '76" revolves around the celebration of the Bicentennial. The Wilkes Faculty Women are planning an Ethnic Recognition Day and the annual Cherry Blossom Festival will have a Bicentennial atmosphere, as will next year's Homecoming.

According to Dr. Leach, the purpose of the third thematic area, "Heritage '76," is to "use the Bicentennial to energize individuals and organizations throughout the nation with a view to improving the quality of life." A time capsule containing Bicentennial memorabilia is among the plans for this theme.

In addition to activities specifically planned for the Bicentennial celebration, a number of annual events commemorate the nation's 200th birthday. The Music Department already has presented several concerts featuring American music, and the play "1776" was offered by the Concert and Lecture Series.

BEACON Thanked For M.S. Coverage

A Distinguished Service Award was presented to the BEACON this week by the Circle K club for noteworthy news coverage during the Multiple Sclerosis fund raising week, according to Circle K President Bill Goldsworthy.

The certificate reads in part: "The Circle K Club of Wilkes College is extremely proud to present this award to the BEACON as a token of appreciation for outstanding news coverage."



BACK TO SCHOOL—Vacation is over and Wilkes students are already back into the old routine. Students arrived at their dorms last week to begin the spring semester. Pictured arriving at Slocum Hall are left to right Bill Manley, Boyertown; Gary Pohorely, White House Station, N.J.; Tom Runiewicz, Media; Tony Pinto, Dunmore; and Mike Yanchuk, Iselin, N.J.

They brought back everything from their Philadelphia Flyers wastebaskets to their basketball. But where are the books boys?

NOTICE

Park and Lock stickers for February will be on sale today and Friday, during regular hours at the bookstore.

200 Students Attend Initial Intercession

By Lisa Waznik

During the past month and a half, while many of us were on an easy break either working, traveling, skiing, or whatever, back on campus a bit of activity was going on.

This vacation for the first time, an experimental Intercession of classes was held. Just how well did the program turn out?

John F. Meyers, director of Division of Continuing Education, informed us that it was "successful, to the point that the bills were paid. The courses went all right."

The Intercession, partially a money making venture for the school, offered many different programs including continuing education, undergraduate, and graduate fields of study.

Although a great deal of the

planned courses were cancelled, a few were held with only 2 or 3 students. Graduate courses were by far the most popular.

The speech courses had the best student enrollment, especially one course dealing with interviews, which was very useful to seniors, while English 101, 151, and 152 also had a good enrollment.

The non-credit continuing education courses were not as popular except for two math courses and a few music classes. Most were cancelled.

Approximately 120 undergraduate and 50 graduate students did participate in the "Intercession."

Mr. Meyers noted that this program should not be compared to the summer session or to the academic year.

He believes a much more practical program could come about with a revision in the present calendar. A change in the length of vacations, and earlier starting date, and an earlier commencement date could make for better plans.

The earlier graduation has many advantages including giving seniors an earlier jump into the job market; for others, a month or so vacation before the start of many summer jobs; or even better, time for a Pre-Season Presession to the summer classes, which is more practical than the Intercession.

"There is a lot working against the Intercession for next year, but this project was nothing to be ashamed of or embarrassed about," commented Mr. Meyers.

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Capin Best Pick For Wilkes President

Five months have passed since Robert S. Capin assumed his current position as acting president of Wilkes College until the Presidential Search Committee can appoint an individual as president in a permanent capacity.

Since that time Acting President Capin has positively maintained a double role as the chief Wilkes administrator and as dean of academic affairs.

Members of the Presidential Search Committee appear also to be working hard in their efforts to study more than 200 applications that have been received for the presidency from throughout the United States.

When looking at the situation from many aspects it seems to us that the best choice that can be made for the Wilkes presidential office would be to select an individual who knows and understands the people of Wyoming Valley.

Let us not forget that the area people are a special breed of their own merit who may not be able to identify with an outsider as easily as they would be able to communicate with someone who has lived, worked and raised a family in this region.

Our new president also should be an individual of high integrity and merit, who like the people of the valley, can weather any storm, while performing services to the community in the high office.

An individual of this stature may not be discovered for a long while beyond Wyoming Valley.

We contend that the Presidential Search Committee should seek every mark of an educated man as adopted by the faculty as a guide to learning when making its recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

If Acting President Capin did not possess these noble characteristics, he would not be in the acting president position currently. Why not let him continue his tremendous efforts in helping the College grow and serve the people of Wyoming Valley as Wilkes College president?

Intersession: Pro and Con

This January marked the debut of the Intersession program at Wilkes, enabling students to take courses not available during the regular semester as well as courses that are part of the basic requirements at the college.

The Intersession, which was of value to some students, permitted greater flexibility in the kinds of courses offered.

While the program may be an excellent time for the student to take a course to get those needed three credits, many found that they could not afford the \$65 per credit hour fee nor could they find any course on the list which was useful to them.

So is it the student who is benefiting from the Intersession program?

The long semester break could be valuable to a student who has a job, providing him with the opportunity to earn more money, or to the sports buff who wanted more time for skiing, or to those students who desired a longer stay in Florida.

But many students were without jobs and found the lengthy semester break too long of a vacation.

On the other side of the Spring Semester, we will find ourselves ending the school year a bit later than usual — at the end of May — and we might find students from other colleges who ended the Spring Semester earlier putting the bite on summer jobs.

A shorter semester break — maybe three or four weeks as in the past — may be preferred over this year's six week break.

Three or four weeks is plenty of time to recover from the strenuous Fall Semester, plus we will be finished earlier in May when the weather is more enjoyable.

U.S. Resolution Related About Baltic Countries By History Professor

To the Editor:

American citizens of Eastern European descent are satisfied to see that on December 2, 1975, the House of Representatives passed a concurrent resolution on behalf of the Baltic States (House Resolution 864).

This resolution states that notwithstanding any interpretation which the Soviet Union or any other country may attempt to give the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, signed in Helsinki, it is the sense of Congress (1) that there has been no change in the longstanding policy of the United States on non-recognition of the illegal seizure and annexation by the Soviet Union of the three Baltic nations of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania and (2) that it will continue to be the policy of the United States not to recognize in any way the annexation of the Baltic nations by the Soviet Union.

Since almost all former colonial peoples of Africa and Asia have obtained their independence, the colonialism of the Soviet Union in the once-independent Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania should not be recognized and condoned in any way.

Therefore, concerned citizens should urge the Senate to pass the concurrent resolution on behalf of the Baltic States without any delay.

Sincerely yours,
Dr. Alexander V. Berkis
Professor of History
Farmville, Virginia

NOTICE

Nominations for freshman class officers will be held on Tuesday, February 10. Two positions on Student Government are also open to freshmen. Nominations will be held in the Commons from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and from 4:30 - 7 p.m. in New Mens Dorm.

NOTICE

A pottery exhibit by Jack Troy, nationally noted porcelain and stoneware expert, will open at Wilkes College's Conyngham Art Gallery today at 7 p.m. and remain on display through February 18.

Letters to the Editor

Student Aids Mother, Daughter

To the Editor:

On November 13, my daughter and I visited Wilkes College. When we arrived, I parked my car in the parking lot outside the dining room.

We were gone for about two hours and when we came back to the parking lot, I realized I wouldn't be able to back the car out of the space.

After many tries without success, a student came by and offered to help. I was relieved because now both my daughter and the student would be able to direct me out of the space.

Following 20 minutes we were unable to get the car out of the space. After 30 minutes of backing up and pulling over, we finally were able to make the two turns. Now we only had one more turn to make to get out of the lot and it was the most impossible of the three.

There was no way I would be able to turn unless the two cars which were in my way moved. The student who helped us offered to look for the owners of the two automobiles.

Gratitude Extended From Veteran's Club

To the Editor:

With sincerest regards I would like to thank all those who made the Vet's Club Toys for Tots campaign a success last December. With their help, the Vet's Club was able to donate \$472 and many toys to the Marine Reserves.

Most notable among those Wilkes students and others far too numerous to mention and deserving of highest commendations were Bob Rischman, Tom Pesluszny, Tom Revinski, Bob Krusman, and the rest of the guys in the Vet Rep's office. Spirited help much as theirs is welcome in any endeavor.

Stan Karpinski, President,
Veteran's Club

NOTICE

The Wilkes College Concert Band is holding auditions for non-music majors for the Spring Semester. Activities will include: a regular concert, a "pops" concert and participation in the Cherry Blossom Festival and the Fine Arts Fiesta. For further information, contact Mr. Weber in Darte Hall, Room 311.

However, while he was gone they came and moved their cars.

My daughter and I were not able to thank the student who aided us. We had another appointment in Harrisburg and without his help we probably would not have made it in time.

Please print this letter in the BEACON so the helpful student will realize how much we appreciate his help.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Bebe Renda

S.U.B. Seen As Reaching Lowest Point

Student Government began the second half of the school year this week, and focused much of its attention on the problems that the Student Union Board has encountered this year.

According to one SG-SUB member, Joe Marchetti, the SUB is at its lowest point right now. The building has been closing every night at 9 p.m., the basement is not suitable for parties and a number of renovations are needed. Marchetti also stated that the "first thing to do is iron out the problems with running it day to day." He pointed out that the board has no money available to it and that a new kind of leadership is necessary to solve the problems.

He suggested that Student Government take control of the Student Union Building and stated that a proposal is being written to attempt to accomplish this action.

The problem concerning the damages to the gym floor is "still being worked on." A letter has been written to Fang Production's insurance company, itemizing the damages and listing two separate bids for repairs. Further action on the \$7,000 bill will wait until a reply is received.

The question of whether or not any future concerts will be held remains unresolved. The last word from the administration was that no concerts would be permitted for the remainder of the year, but the Deans' Council has indicated that it is willing to consider the issue. SG gave a vote of confidence to approach the administration on the matter.

A suggestion was made that in the event of future concerts, SG should consider purchasing a floor covering for the gym, and that a request be made to the Athletic Department to consider allowing for such an item in its budget.

Since a question arose concerning the Wilkes-Hahnemann program and the chances that out-of-state students have in gaining admittance to the program, Dr. Ralph Rozelle will be asked to attend next Tuesday's meeting.

Budget requests for 1976-77 will be accepted until Tuesday, February 10. Request forms are available in the SG office, and organizations must bring their ledgers for examination to the SG office on February 10 between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m.

Special Selections

Commuter Council, under the direction of Jackie Pickering, will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in the Commons.

Tomorrow is the final date for graduate students to procure Commencement forms at the Graduate School Office.

Inter-Dormitory Council (IDC) will meet on Sunday, February 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons with Mike LoPresti presiding.

A Bicentennial Exhibit will run from February 9 through March 14 at Sordoni Art Gallery.

Student Government, under the direction of Zeke Zaborney, will meet on Tuesday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Weckesser Hall.

The Journalism Society, Sigma Delta Chi, will meet Thursday, February 12, at 11 a.m. on the second floor of Shawnee Hall.

Student Government will receive 1976-77 budget requests from presidents and treasurers of campus organizations, councils and classes who are eligible to seek funding from Student Government. Budgets must be submitted to the S.G. office by Tuesday, February 10, at 4:30 p.m.

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Who, What, When, Why, How... And Where Were You?

By Sandy Akromas

What did your fellow colleagues do over vacation?

At the sake of being nosey, here are a few of their activities.

Theann Murta, Dix Hills, Long Island; Karyn Axelrad, Dover, New Jersey; Lois Enama, Blakeslee; and Jean Reiter, Emerson, New Jersey; all worked laboriously over Dr. Kaska's English 152 course.

In their spare time, these Catlin girls had a terrific snowball fight with a few of the wrestlers, which resulted in a broken window!

The girls also prepared a delicious spaghetti dinner, and invited several guests. (For the wrestlers that did not show or bother to R.S.V.P., you missed a great meal.)

Noel Jorgensen, New Milford, New Jersey; Bouraine Meehan, Budd Lake, New Jersey; and Mary Lou Murray, Budd Lake, New Jersey; all senior elementary ed. majors, shortened their vacation to teach a week early. That is dedication. The girls are over at Third Avenue School, Kingston.

Gloria P., Karen B., Janet C., Meg B., and Liza moved into a roomy, comfortable apartment on Westminster Street in Wilkes-Barre.

Karen Considine, Poughkeepsie, New York, is wondering if this is where it's at. Spend a day at the Franklin Street School and then ask yourself!!!! (Good Luck, Karen!!!)

"Little Dick" Colandrea, Springfield, New Jersey, did something very unusual over vacation. He worked...putting a few 'tigers' in gas tanks at an Exxon station. How did it feel to work for a living? (P.S. "Action was great down Florida," according to B.S. Wondering what you missed, Little Dick?)

Donna Geffert, Plains, was busy applying to grad schools. But most of her time was spent attending Bridal Shows. (Forget it Geffie, just elope!!!)

Welcome back Mary Ellen Alu!! Wilkes is in and Shippensburg is out! It took our reporter two days and two hours to realize she belonged

back here. Excellent choice!!!

Mary Ann Manzano, Scranton; and Bill Finlay, Allendale, New Jersey; continued to work under Wilkes' Community Service Program. Mary Ann 'labored' at the health services department, under the United Services Agency. Bill was involved with Legal Services department. According to both students, the program, initiated by Dr. James Rodechko, is very worthwhile and educational.

Sue Rhinehamer, Wanamie, babysat for a nine-month-old boy and a three-year-old girl while the parents vacationed in Colorado. She also worked in an office.

According to Judy Menapace, Dallas, she did "Nothing." But when I interviewed her, she was busy painting her 1st floor bedroom a Sunrise Yellow, in Weiss Hall. She visited Val Hoskins in New Jersey, and partied at a Swoyersville establishment one night.

Charmaine Broad lived with Peaches Daney and was employed at Parrish Hall. She spent a week in Vermont skiing, on a Wilkes sponsored trip. Charmaine had a "Good Time!!" (I bet you did, Charmaine!!!)

Joan Colognato and Jim Dawes also skied in Vermont.

Paul Adams spent his time in many ways. While answering phones at the Wilkes reception desk, there was a bomb scare. Suddenly one day, his car broke down. He worked in the Bookstore helping Miss Gittens. Some days he washed dishes in return for Jean's and Theann's meals. (Wonders never cease, do they Paul?)

Rick Marchant, Norwich, New York, visited friends in North Carolina, studied paintings in the National Art Gallery in Washington, D.C., skied, and coached a high school swimming team.

Mike Prekopa, McAdoo, "played basketball."

Tom DeSanno, New Hyde Park, New York, "Just hanged out...didn't do a thing."

It is a very amusing experience to ask wrestlers "What did you do over vacation?" They look at you quizzically and ask, "What is a vacation???"

Rick Mahonski, Williamsport, met a "beautiful blonde at Midnight Mass." "The Lord was with me that night!" Afterwards, I went to confession!!!! (Lesson: It pays to go to church!)

A great deal of credit goes to Val Kaplan, Philadelphia. Without him, the wrestling team could literally fall apart. Val is the manager for the Colonels. "It is a 24 hour job. I wake the wrestlers up in the morning, wash their uniforms, tend to injuries, and in general, have everything ready for them." Kaplan is the 'Spiritual Leader' for the wrestlers. Amidst his many duties, he found time to babysit for his little brother Lance. He is always there when help is needed. Good job, Val.

A Campus Tragedy?: Lon Balum, Muncy, took his roommate to the movies, and it completely ruined their relationship. Even to the point that the roommate moved out. The word is that Lon is very hurt.

Latest gossip: Roy Preefer is becoming an aspiring cartoonist.

I found the freshmen wrestlers to be very shy. One of them, Dicky, did not want to be interviewed, he only wanted to say hi. Okay, Dicky says "Hi!"

Eric, who refused to give his last name, said the weather was "Nice," here and in his hometown in New York.

Readers, it is quite obvious that the wrestlers do not have any conception of what a vacation is...just by reading their responses!! But it was still comical to interview them while they were deeply engrossed in watching, "The Day of the Dolphins!"



By Marianne Montague

"Back to School"

Here we are back in school. (Nothing like a profound statement to start a column.) We are all once again faced with the problems of getting back to the old grind and doing it without getting back to the old nervous breakdowns. I thought I'd try to dig up a little advice for you on how to get back to being the studious students you were before vacation came and took away all hopes of ambition.

To help me with this task I interviewed our favorite campus groover "Joe Wilkes" on how to get back into the swing of things here at school. There is nobody more groovy than Joe. I interviewed him last Monday as I was coming from the bookstore.

Me: Hi Joe.

Joe: Hi Mare.

Me: Joe, would you help me with this pile of 27 books worth 85 hours of my work-study pay?

Joe: Sure. Give me one. (Joe takes thin paperback of the top of my pile while I juggle seven under one arm, eight under the other and balance eleven on top of my head.)

Me: Thanks, Joe. You're a great help.

Joe: (as he shoves three candy bars into his mouth) Mmmph-MmmphMmmph.

Me: What?

Joe: I said don't mention it.

Me: So, Joe, how do you make the big transition from vacation to back to school?

Joe: (combing his \$34 hairdo) It's easy. There's no transition for me to make. There is no difference between vacation and school.

Me: (as three books fall off my head into the Wilkes-Barre mud) I think we have a difference of opinion here, Joe. You see I don't make it a habit of carrying around 27 books while I'm on vacation.

Joe: And I don't make it a habit of carrying around 27 books while I'm in school. Every aspect of life to me is just one long vacation.

Me: Did you buy your books yet?

Joe: Of course not. I'm too groovy to buy books. All my intelligence comes naturally.

Me: What's your cum?

Joe: .0000000001

Me: That doesn't sound much like natural intelligence to me.

Joe: (stopping at window to admire his reflection) Oh, but it is. The profs at this school just don't know natural intelligence when they see it. As long as I know how intelligent I am that's all that matters.

Me: I'll have to try that line on my father the next time my grades come home. It won't work, but at least it will give him a good laugh before he throws me down the steps.

Joe: Besides studying takes too much time away from being groovy.

Me: Well I don't think you can help me with my problem Joe. I need tips on how the average Wilkes student can get back to studying again.

Joe: I don't know anything about being "average" girlie. All I know is how to be groovy. Take it or leave it.

Me: I guess I'll have to take it. But I'll be leaving you, Joe. Take it easy and Groove On.

As you can see Joe Wilkes was no help. So I thought maybe John Four O could say something interesting. I saw him on my way back to the library to check and see if my name was still on the black list and my number posted on the wanted sign.

Me: Hi, John. What are you doing here? Paying off overdue books?

John: No. I've been studying all day.

Me: Studying? But we haven't started classes yet.

John: I know but I like to keep ahead of the profs so I can help them out when they get stuck.

Me: I see. Somehow I don't think you're gonna be able to help me either. I need tips on how the average Wilkes student can get back to studying, but I can see you never stopped for vacation.

John: Studying to me is one long vacation.

It takes all kinds to make a Wilkes student. I guess there's no help from the campus biggies. All I can tell you is you've got to be somewhere between groovy and too much. Take it from there. I'm a big help, aren't I?

Forms Available At Placement Office For PA Civil Service Examination

College students who wish to apply for state civil service positions in the college career series may submit applications until March 26, announced the State Civil Service Commission. Job opportunities are limited.

Written tests for these positions will be scheduled periodically at statewide test centers. The examination will also be given daily by appointment only at State Civil Service Commission offices in Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia.

Applicants must submit college transcripts with their application.

The college career series includes trainee and beginning level positions in administration, social services, education, and natural science. Most positions require a bachelor's degree in a field appropriate to the job title. Candidates should refer to the examination announcement for full details on salaries, examinations, and position requirements.

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Parking Crack-Down Will See Rules Enforced By Tickets and Towing

In an effort to determine if additional on-campus student parking spaces can be found and to crack down on illegal parking, Wilkes College is contracting with a local private security agency to ticket and tow illegally parked vehicles.

The crack down begins this week, as all autos not displaying an official and up-to-date parking sticker will be tagged with warning notices. Once this warning period ends, illegally parked cars will be ticketed and, if necessary, towed.

Del-Cap Detective Agency of Pittston will provide a uniformed attendant to patrol the college's parking lots. Also, Commuter Council and Inter-Dormitory Council will continue to use work-study students to police on-campus student lots.

Del-Cap currently provides regular security patrols for the college.

Business Manager Charles Abate told the joint student-administration parking committee Tuesday that no major change in college parking policy is involved. "What we're going to do now is enforce our policy," Abate said.

Existing fines for illegal parking remain in force. Violators are subject to a \$2.50 fine if the penalty is paid within 48 hours after the violation occurs, or a \$5 fine if they pay thereafter.

All fines accumulated by violators are added to their accounts in the Finance Office and must be paid before graduation.

Persons authorized to park their cars on campus must prominently display on their vehicle an official Wilkes parking sticker. So as not to inconvenience more-than-one car families, the stickers need not be

permanently affixed to the auto.

Student stickers provided by CC and IDC are subject to the same regulations. Additionally, IDC stickers are valid on a semester-by-semester basis. The serial numbers of expired stickers will be placed on a "void list" and parked cars in lots will be periodically checked to determine if their stickers are on the list.

A \$50 fine has been imposed for illegal possession of parking stickers.

Once a person has accumulated three parking tickets, notice will be given to the parking attendant to watch for the violator's vehicle, which will then become "a prime target for towing," according to Abate.

Del-Cap will arrange for the towing and holding of vehicles. A penalty fee will be charged for a violator to recover his car. Although a final figure has not yet been determined, it is expected that the fee will be about \$20 to \$25.

It was emphasized that student parking is confined to four lots: Temple Israel for the commuters, and Bedford, Old Slocum, and Wright Street for the dorm students.

Administrators present at the Tuesday session stressed the need for cooperation of students, faculty, administrators, and staff in relieving the parking problem.

"If we can control illegal parking, we might be able to provide additional student parking," Personnel Director Gene Manganello said. "There's a possibility of this, but there's no guarantee."

"In the end, we hope students will benefit" by enforcement of the parking regulations, noted Abate.

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Decision Expected In March On Future of Conyngham Home

By Frank Baran

Discussion is currently underway between college administrators and members of the Board of Trustees on the best use Wilkes College can make of its most recent acquisition—the Conyngham home at 130 South River Street.

The property was bequeathed to the college by Mrs. William Conyngham, who died last summer. Presently, the structure is vacant.

Discussion revolves around two alternatives for the structure: rehabilitation into a dormitory to house 42 students, or demolition. Analysis of the building's future is part of a broader consideration of what to do with several structures in the first block of South River Street and near South River and Northampton Streets.

Andrew Shaw, Jr., special assistant to the president for management and operations, said a decision on the future of the Conyngham home and other nearby properties is anticipated in March.

Although the building appears in good condition when viewed from the outside, it would require a great deal of work inside to convert the building into a dormitory. The college's architect estimates the cost of rehabilitation at \$158,500, but Shaw contends that costs could reach \$200,000 or more, based on past experience with rehabilitating other buildings.

The biggest problem in rehabilitating the building, Shaw says, is the heating system. The existing heating plant of two large hand-fired coal furnaces would have to be upgraded with stokers or replaced.

In addition to this initial expenditure, the cost of operating the system would be tremendous.

Heating costs are estimated to total \$8,000 annually, based on current prices of fuel oil and the conversion of the heating plant from coal to oil.

The plumbing system is in "questionable condition," Shaw said, and most of the fixtures might have to be replaced. Even with improvements, it is uncertain whether the building's plumbing system can support the anticipated 42 residents.

Bringing the building into conformity with state Department of Labor and Industry standards is another major problem in rehabilitating the Conyngham home. The existing stairs and elevator shaft must be replaced with enclosed stairwells, and other miscellaneous improvements must be made as well.

The roof of the building leaks badly and needs major repairs. The ceilings of several rooms have been ruined by this leakage as well.

All rooms need at least partial replastering and complete repainting. This in itself is a major task, since

there are at least thirty rooms in the building.

There is a puddle of water in the basement, indicating repairs to foundation cracks must be made.

Besides the rehabilitation costs, there remains the problem of operating the building. It is estimated that annual operating costs amount to \$29,000, while dormitory fees for students living in the building will provide \$23,940.

On the other hand, there are strong arguments favoring the rehabilitation of the building. The need to house students in Hotel Sterling will be eliminated. The Conyngham home could be ready for occupancy by September, 1976. Once repaired, the building might be in better overall condition than many existing dormitories. The rooms are generally large, and have adequate closet space. The building boasts wood-paneled sitting rooms and first and second floor marble fireplaces, among other amenities. The capital expenditures for rehabilitation would be less than for new construction.

But perhaps most importantly, a significant historical property will have been preserved. The Conyngham home was once one of the finest residences in Wyoming Valley, representing the prosperity and elegance of the business community during the heyday of anthracite mining. Preservation would calm the fears of many in the community that the college will despoil the most impressive remnants of Wilkes-Barre's past.

Snowflake Winner Announced by Club

The Wilkes College Committee for a Clean Environment recently announced the winner of its Snowflake Contest. Rich Hoffman, Miner Hall, turned in the winning guess of December 24, only one day shy of the actual December 25 snowfall totaling about two inches. The Christmas snowfall was the first significant accumulation of snow this season. Hoffman's prediction won him \$5, beating out 20 other entrants.



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'Super Eagle' Out For Gold

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

They call Wade Schalles the "Super Eagle". He can't leap tall buildings in a single bound, and is not more powerful than a locomotive. That is, not yet at least. For the time being, Schalles will have to make due with just being one of the finest wrestlers in the country.

Little more than a month ago, Schalles, a former two-time NCAA champ at Clarion State College in Western Pennsylvania, brought his act East for the 43rd Wilkes Open Wrestling Tournament, and by the time it was over, the Super Eagle could have told the 2000 fans that packed into the Wilkes gymnasium for the two day event, that he could fly, and they would have believed him.

ON HIS WAY to the 167-pound title, Wade picked up every individual honor the tourney gave out, including the Manny Gorrioran Award for the most pins in least aggregate time, the High Point Trophy, and most notable the Outstanding Wrestler Award. They probably would have given him the team championship had he asked for it, but that plaudit went to Schalles' alma mater, Clarion, which carted home their fourth straight championship.

Wilkes, with three starters failing to show up for the event, finished second; an accomplishment which took very little effort, considering the fact that only a handful of teams entered full units.

There was no doubt in anyone's mind that Schalles was

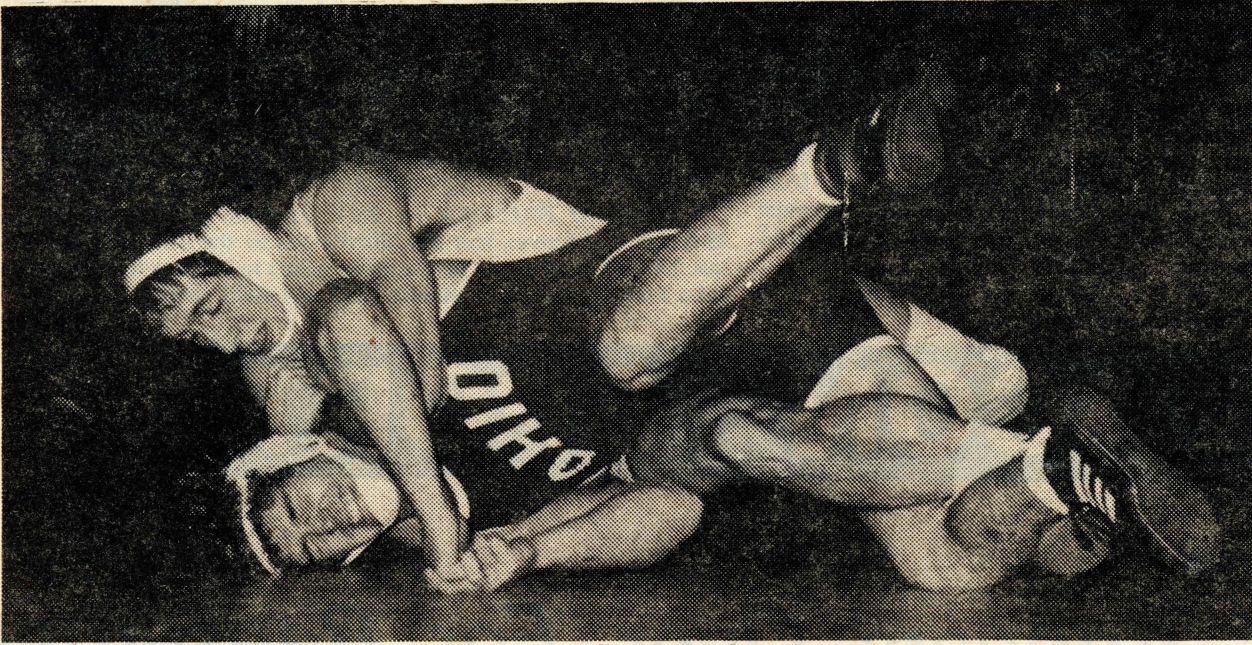
the drawing card of the tournament. "His name is magic", said tournament publicity director George Pawlusch. "His presence in this event will be good for 1000 extra fans." Ironically, Schalles almost didn't make it to Wilkes-Barre. He competed in the Midlands Invitational Wrestling Tournament out at Northwestern University near Chicago, which ran December 27th and 28th. The Wilkes Open was scheduled for the 29th and 30th. While the Super Eagle did enter the Wilkes event, people close to Schalles didn't expect him to travel East, if he made it to the finals of the Midlands.

But Larry Silverberg, a NCAA runnerup out of Minnesota University, settled the conflict by upsetting Schalles in the semi-finals. With his chance of winning a title there eliminated, Schalles took the next flight East, and arrived at the Wilkes-Barre-Scranton International Airport late Sunday night, in plenty of time to catch a good night's sleep before Monday morning's pre-tourney weigh-ins.

SCHALLES' ABILITY TO fly all over the creation and participate in wrestling tournament after wrestling tournament brought up an interesting point. Bread, moola, dough, cold cash. Call it what you will, it's the only thing that can pay for cross-country plane flights, and three-day stays at comfortable motels. Where does Schalles' money come from? The answer is from the pocket of Clarion millionaire Bill Rea, Jr. Rea, a powerful figure in the city of Clarion is wild about wrestling, and has been a "supporter" of the CSC sport for quite a long time.

This year, he is sponsoring a Clarion-based wrestling team called the "Mean Machine", which features Schalles, and Lehigh redshirt, Mark Lieberman. Schalles quit his job as assistant wrestling coach at Arizona State last season, and now has a desk job in one of Rea's business interests in Clarion, while he puts his total concentration on wrestling, and earning a berth on the United States Olympic team.

It sure is nice to have friends with money. They can turn rags into riches, tin into gold, and in Schalles' case, a former collegiate star into an Olympic gold medalist.



Schalles: He's Backed By A Millionaire

Cagers Battling Clock In Bid For Playoff Spot

Nothing comes easy for Rodger Bearde and his Colonel basketball team, especially a Middle Atlantic Conference playoff berth.

Saddled with their fourth MAC loss of the season Saturday night, Wilkes is faced with the difficult (but not impossible) task of winning all four of their remaining conference battles - including one against powerful Scranton on the road, if they expect a post-season berth.

"We can do it. It's going to be hard, but we can do it," exclaimed a disappointed Bearde, shortly after his young team blew a big ten point lead to Upsala, and ended up losing to the Vikings 68-54.

IT WAS THE Colonel's first home game since Dec. 10, and after a rough 3-7 road trip, they were anxious to get back home. "With all the first year players we have," said Bearde, "ten consecutive games on the road is not the best way to break into college ball, and we paid the price for it."

But last Wednesday night at Reading, they dished it out instead of taking it on the chin, and whipped Albright 77-72 in overtime, to give them new hope. A win over Upsala would have put one foot in the MAC playoff door.

Realizing the Colonel's man to man defense would not work on the Vikings, Bearde switched to a zone against Upsala, and his team never looked better during the first twelve minutes of the contest. With 7:32 left in the first half, Wilkes was up by ten, 24-14, and could do no wrong.

But Upsala has never been known for rolling over, and took advantage of some sloppy Colonel floor play to whittle the deficit to one at halftime.

WHAT HAPPENED IN that second half will haunt Bearde for the rest of the season. Switching to a zone themselves, Upsala effectively shut off the Colonel inside game, and rolled into the lead for the first time in the ball game. Forcing the Colonels out of their own zone and into man to man defense, the Vikings used their height advantage, and muscle, to win going away.

Bearde repeatedly said at the beginning of the season that this is the most talented club he's ever coached. But it would take time for him to adjust. Well, right now the Colonels are running out of time.

They have remaining conference games with Lycoming tomorrow night at home; Lycoming once again next Saturday on the road; Scranton on Feb. 17 at the John Long Center; and they finish with Elizabethtown at home on Feb. 19.

History indicates that they must win them all. They are 2-4 in the MAC right now, and a 6-4 finish should get them in the playoffs. If they lose just one, it would put them at 5-5; exactly the record they finished up with last year, when they DIDN'T make the playoffs.

It's going to be an uphill battle, but as Rodger Bearde has said: "we can do it. It's going to be hard, but we can do it."

—DOMOWITCH

MAC At A Glance

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Phila. Textile	5	0	1000
Elizabethtown	3	1	750
Scranton	3	1	750
Upsala	5	2	714
Lycoming	3	2	600
Albright	4	3	571
Wilkes	2	4	333
Susquehanna	2	5	285
Juniata	1	5	166
Delaware Valley	0	5	000

SCORING LEADERS

	G	PTS.	AVG.
Dave Long, Susquehanna	7	154	22.0
Roger Galo, Juniata	6	129	21.5
Dennis Pastucha, Del. Valley	5	98	19.6
Jack Grabant, Wilkes	6	117	19.5
Rick Bieder, Albright	7	119	17.0

GOLF NOTICE

The Wilkes golf team will hold an important meeting, Tuesday morning at 11:15 in Weckesser Annex.

Worst Over

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tournaments, and can he?

"I'm confident that Jimmy can win an Eastern title at 167," his coach said, "and right now, I'm just not sure what we are going to do." The idea of dropping Weisenfluh down seems to look past the Easterns, and into his chances at the nationals in Tuscon, Arizona (assuming he gets there.)

MAT MATTER: Gene Clemons, racked up with injuries and academic hassles, is going to take a semester off. He plans on making up lost ground this summer, and being back in a Blue and Gold uniform next fall...Casper Tortella, who sprained his ankle two weeks ago in a match with Oswego State, is expected back for the Feb. 17, encounter with Hofstra.

Niedzwiecki Unbeatable

Mermen Take A Pair In Weekend Action

BY MARIANNE MONTAGUE

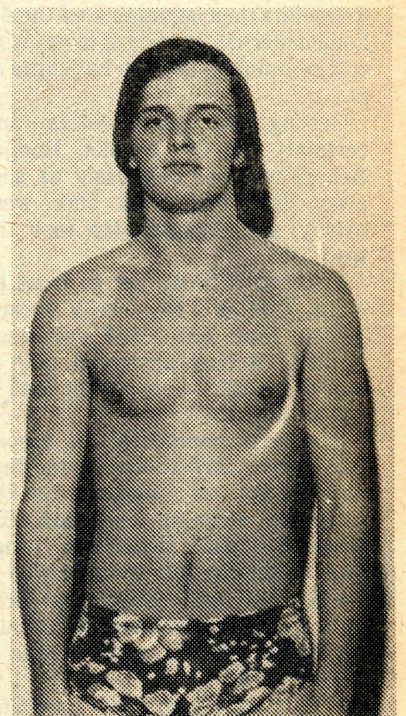
A fired up Wilkes swim team captured two in a row last weekend, as they set back Jersey City State at home on Friday 44-16, then traveled to Douglastown, N.Y. to post a 58-40 victory over Cathedral College.

The free relay team of Garry Taroli, Tony Pinto, Jeff Jones, and Ron Sweeda set a new Cathedral pool record of 3:42.3. This relay team has only been beaten once thus far, and promises to be a strong point for the Colonels throughout the remainder of the season.

Diver Paul Niedzwiecki was unbeatable in week-end action, and came close to breaking Cathedral's pool records in both the one meter required and optional events.

Other outstanding performances for Coach Rick Marchant's mermen were turned in by Jeff Boberick, who took first place in the 200 yard individual medley against Jersey City, and also in the 500 and 1000 yard freestyle races at Cathedral, and Tony Pinto who copped firsts in the 200 yard freestyle against Jersey City, and the 200 yard freestyle and butterfly races at Cathedral.

Three swimmers experienced their first number one place finishes during the week-end. Mike Salley garnered points in the 200 yard breaststroke race, Joe Dettmore took the 500 yard freestyle, and Tom Runiewicz the 100 yard freestyle all in the Jersey City meet.



GARRY TAROLI

Also valuable for the mermen were newcomers Gary Pohorely, Jack Manley, and Barry Weiss, and veterans Kevin Augustine, Bill Manley, and Keith Augustine.

The Colonel men and women will face the Lycoming swim teams on Saturday at 4, at the Wilkes-Barre Aquadome. The men are 2-3 and the women 1-1 for the season.

Colonels Topple SU; Face Lyco Tomorrow

BY PAUL DOMOWITCH

Wins have come far and few between for the Wilkes College basketball team this season, but last night, the Colonels decided to remedy that problem with a 57-50 conquest of Susquehanna University at the South Franklin Street gymnasium.

The win upped the Blue and Gold record to 6-11, going into tomorrow evening's "do or die" battle with Middle Atlantic Conference foe Lycoming, and avenged an earlier 71-64 defeat at the hands of the Crusaders.

It was the red hot shooting of forward Jack Brabant that brought the Colonels out of a pathetic offensive drought in the second half, and carried them from a six-point halftime deficit to a seven-point win. The big red head finished the night with 18 points, and in the process, became the third greatest scorer in Wilkes College basketball history.

BUT BRABANT WASN'T the only story. Frank Britt and Tommy Donahue, a pair of Colonels who have missed a great deal of this season with injuries, came to life in the waning minutes against the Crusaders, and picked up where Brabant left off.

Using a zone defense to offset the effectiveness of Susquehanna's All-MAC forward Dave Long, Wilkes broke out to an 8-0 lead on the hot hand of Brabant, before the Crusaders answered with a bucket of their own.

A 20-footer by Donahue with 15:55 showing on the clock, put Wilkes up by eight once again, but the Crusaders, utilizing the tremendous outside shooting of guard Mike Scheib over the Wilkes zone, whittled the deficit to four at the nine minute mark.

With Wilkes forced to respect Scheib's outside accuracy, the Crusaders then began to feed the 6-6 Long underneath, and his layup with 5:25 remaining, tied the ballgame at 24.

Getting the opportunities, but certainly not the breaks, Rodger Bearde watched helplessly as shot after Blue and Gold shot went astray, and Susquehanna took the lead.

SCHEIB PUT SU out in front by eight, 32-24 on a fast break bucket, before Blue and Gold freshman Kendall McNeil answered with a pair of free throws to cut the lead to six at half.

The early minutes of the second half were a carbon copy of the first portion for the Colonels, as the miserable shooting continued. But Brabant finally found the range after hitting on only three of nine in the first half, and connected on three in a row near the fourteen minute mark, to put his team within a bucket, 36-34.

With a little over twelve minutes to go in the contest, Britt made his long awaited return to action on the Colonel hardwood, and it was a pair of free throws by the 6-3 senior that tied the game at 38.

The Colonels held momentary two point leads during the next three minutes, before a big basket by guard Mike Prekopa put Wilkes out in front for keeps, 46-44 with 5:05 remaining.

PLAYING A LITTLE cat and

mouse after gaining the lead, Bearde ordered his team to keep the ball outside until Susquehanna broke from its zone into a man-for-man defense. Seconds after the Crusaders made the switch, freshman Tony Nardelli capitalized with a two-pointer to put Wilkes up by four.

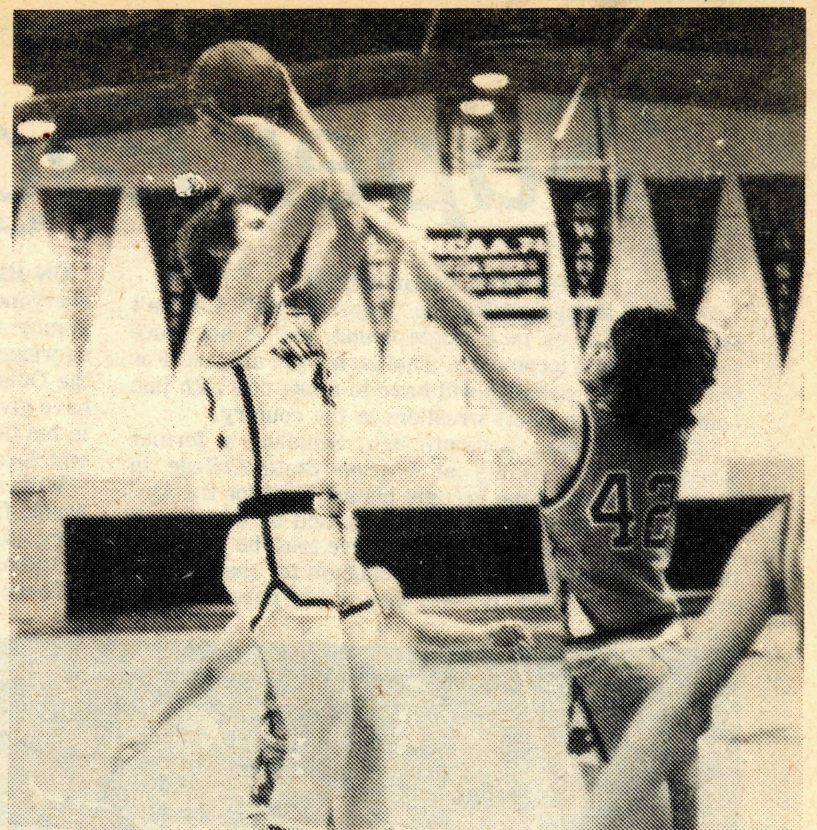
Long cut into the Colonel lead once again with a 15-foot jumper, but little Tommy Donahue came to life with 2:50 remaining, and canned a shot from the top of the circle.

Seconds later, after spreading the desperate Crusader defense out, Donahue broke through the lane and shoveled off a brilliant pass to an open Britt, who was fouled. The former Kingston Central Catholic standout made one of two, and seconds later hit two more charity tosses to put the game on ice, 53-46.

Two final free throws, and a splendid display of ball handling by

Donahue that drew the 5'10 junior a standing ovation from the appreciative crowd, put Wilkes up at the buzzer, 57-50.

COURT NOTES: With four MAC games remaining, Wilkes must win at least three of four to have a shot at the playoffs. Scranton and Upsala have clinched post-season berths, and the remaining invitations are up for grabs between Elizabethtown, Lycoming, Albright, and Wilkes...E-town, and Lycoming played last night...the Colonels shot a miserable 32 per cent from the field last night (23-68). Not that many teams can shoot that bad and win...freshman center John Zapko was the leading Colonel rebounder in the win with 12 boards...at one point in the first half, Wilkes missed 14 shots in a row from the field...both games against Lycoming will count in the MAC standings.



A RECORD BREAKER — Jack Brabant is pictured shooting the 20-footer that moved him into third place on the all-time Colonel scoring list. The red head needs just 51 more points to surpass George Morgan and take over second place among Blue and Gold scoring greats.

BEACON SPORTS

Easterns Feb. 27-28

Worst Appears Over For Reesemen

It has been a rough beginning for the Wilkes wrestlers in the wacky world of Division I, but it appears the worst is over, or so it would seem.

Losses to Lehigh, Navy, Oregon State, and Syracuse loom as ancient history now, and a good many of the Colonels are starting to grow up, and put the word "team" into their vocabulary, after realizing that representatives of Oklahoma, Iowa, and Iowa State are not going to pound down their doors and try to persuade them to transfer to their respective institutions.

A DIFFICULT SCHEDULE, and team dissension were only two of the problems facing coach John Reese during the first two months of the 1975-76 season; a beginning that had Colonel fans shouting "who needs the big time?" But recent performances, and a series of incidents brought optimism back to the S.Franklin gymnasium once again.

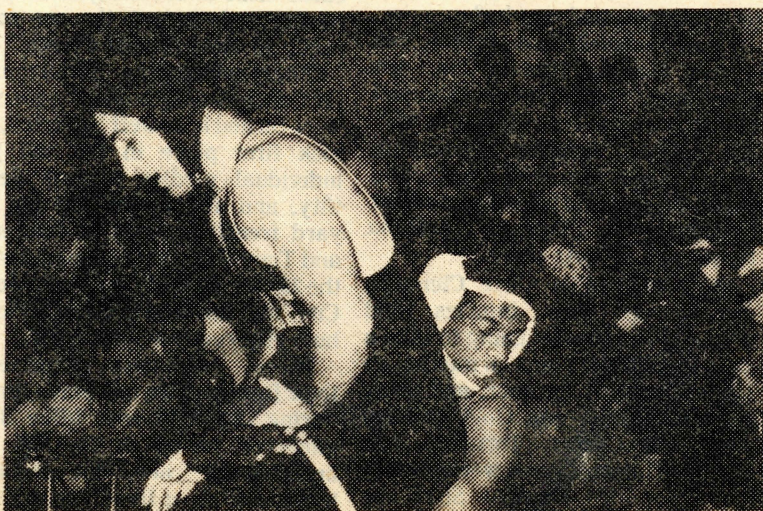
Facing far less fearsome op-

ponents than they had in December, and early January, the Colonels have reeled off five straight wins, not including last night's fray with Binghamton State, and although there are some difficult obstacles remaining on their calendar, it would appear that they have felt defeat for the final time.

The remaining four dual meets will be preparation, more than anything else, for Wilkes' big Feb. 27-28 indoctrination into the Eastern Inter-collegiate Wrestling Association.

Three weeks ago, the Colonel's chances at the Eastern tourney did not appear good. But a lot has happened since that time. Down at Annapolis, the Navy grapplers have everyone confused including themselves, as a defeat at the hands of Yale (who??) would indicate. That same Yale team lost to Rutgers, a unit that could manage only one victory in a pre-season scrimmage with Wilkes.

DOWN AT LEHIGH, injuries have



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swept over the Engineers like a plague, including a neck injury to national champ Mike Lieberman, that just may keep him out of the Easterns. And there is a lot of squabbling over the academic eligibility of their other NCAA champ, Mike Frick.

Despite losing 22-16 to Syracuse, Wilkes proved they could hold their own with the best in the nation. Ranked ninth in the country by NATIONAL MAT NEWS coming

into the Wilkes battle, the Orangemen needed a final pin at heavyweight to pull the match out of the fire.

The biggest story that afternoon was the Colonel's Jim Weisenfluh beating NCAA runnerup John Janiak 16-14, in one of the finest bouts ever wrestled in the Colonel confines. Weisenfluh's victory brought up another point. Will he move down to 158 for the

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Girls Off To Fair Start Under New Cage Mentor

It has been quite a dryspell for the Wilkes women cagers over the years. Not since 1967 have the Colonelettes registered a winning record (5-4), and never in their history have they won more than six games.

Well, Debby Moyer is out to change all that. A 1975 graduate of East Stroudsburg State College, Moyer stepped into the head coaching position vacated by Sandy Bloomburg, and while her girls aren't exactly burning up the court, there is new optimism.

With a 2-2 record going into yesterday's away battle with powerhouse Luzerne County Community College, the Blue and Gold appear destined to break the six win barricade, and could be a serious challenger for the Middle Atlantic Conference women's basketball title.

Big surprise in the girl's first four games has been the scoring bursts of junior forward Sharon Wilkes. Not looked upon for offensive punch during her first two varsity seasons, the Nanticoke High alumna

averaged only near the six point mark. But this year, she leads the Colonelettes with a 16.3 average.

Right behind her in scoring is sophomore Karen Olney, who broke into the starting five late last season, and has been averaging double digits ever since. Olney has given Moyer's team a big lift in the rebounding department, and in Monday's 40-35 loss to Muhlenberg, she collected 14 rebounds.

Key to Wilkes' success may lie in the backcourt, where junior Dotty Martin and sophomore Anita Meehan rank as two of the best guards in the MAC. Both girls are averaging 9.3 points a game, and have been very successful getting the ball inside to Wilkes, Olney, and center Diane Jones.

The girls are deep in both the back and frontcourt with seniors Barb Long and Nancy Roberts filling in aptly when needed. The team will be home Saturday afternoon, when they entertain archrival Misericordia at the South Franklin Street gymnasium.